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SUBJECT: ROK-NORTH KOREA NON-AGGRESSION PACT

SUMMARY: ROK FOREIGN MINISTER JUNE 23 RENEWED ROK PROPOSAL FOR NON-AGGRESSION PACT BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA AND OTHER PREVIOUS ROK PROPOSALS FOR REDUCING FRICTION ON PENINSULA. END SUMMARY

1. ON FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT PAK CHONG-HUI'S STATEMENT PROPOSING STEPS FOR PEACEFUL UNIFICATION OF KOREAN PENINSULA, FONMIN PAK TONG-CHIN REITERATED FIVE POINTS INITIALLY MADE IN 1973 BY PRESIDENT PAK AND CALLED FOR NORTH KOREA TO COOPEEATE IN REALIZING THEM. FONMIN CALLED ON NORTH KOREA TO TAKE NOTE OF WIDENING GAP IN NATIONAL STRENGTH AND POTENTIAL BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA AND TO ABANDON "ITS INFLEXIBLE AND DEMAGOGIC" DIPLOMATIC POSTURE WHICH WAS ALIENATING EVEN THE COMMUNISTS AND NON-ALIGNED NATIONS. FIVE POINTS REEMPAHASIZED BY FOREIGN MINISTER WERE: MUTUAL NON-INTERFERENCE IN EACH OTHERS INTERNAL AFFAIRS; MUTUAL ABSTENSION FROM AGGRESSION; RESUMPTION OF SOUTH-NORTH
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UNIFICATION DIALOGUE; SIMULTANEOUS UN ADMISSION AND "OPEN DOOR" APPROACH.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER PLACED PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON NEED FOR NORTH KOREA TO ABANDON POLITICAL PROPAGANDA AND INSTEAD TO CONSIDER SERIOUSLY CONCLUSION OF ROK-PROPOSED MUTUAL NON-AGGRESSION AGREEMENT AS A PRIMARY STEP TOWARD

ESTABLISHMENT OF DURABLE PEACE. ROK PRESS, WHICH FRONT PAGED STORY
AFTERNOON JUNE 23 AND MORNING JUNE 24, ALSO GAVE
PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO NON-AGGRESSION PACT PROPOSAL.

3. COMMENT: FONMIN'S STATEMENT APPEARS NOT TO HAVE BEEN
INTENDED AS A NEW INITIATIVE SO MUCH AS AN EFFORT TO KEEP
ALIVE ROK NON-AGGRESSION PROPOSAL AND TO COMMEMORATE
ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT PAK'S INITIAL STATEMENT OF
PROPOSAL. THIS WAS CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF JUNE 24 BY
PRESIDENTIAL SPECIAL ASSISTANT KIM KYONG-WON.
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